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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
SEIJI TAKEUCHI, ET AL.)	Examiner: Unassigned
Application No.: 10/733,359)	Group Art Unit: Unassigned
Filed: December 12, 2003)	
For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR)	
MEASURING BIREFRINGENCE)	February 18, 2004

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed foreign patent documents and non-patent publications are also enclosed.

Many of the listed documents (including all of the foreign language documents) are discussed in the specification at pages 1 and 2. Applicants submit that the foreign language documents are relevant for the reasons noted therein. In addition, Applicants have obtained from a commercial database an English language abstract for Japanese Application No. 8-201175, a copy of which is enclosed for the Examiner's convenience.

FORMAL MATTERS


No fee is believed due in connection with this paper; however, if any fee is due, it should be charged to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed for that purpose.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

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